

SOUTH DAKOTA GOVERNMENT

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

MAKES THE LAW

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

70 MEN AND WOMEN
ELECTED TO REPRESENT
THE PEOPLE AND MAKE
LAWS THAT MEET
THEIR NEEDS

SENATE

35 MEN AND WOMEN
ELECTED TO REPRESENT
THE PEOPLE AND MAKE
LAWS THAT MEET
THEIR NEEDS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

CARRIES OUT
THE LAW

GOVERNOR

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE
TO ENFORCE STATE
LAW AND ACT AS THE
STATE'S LEADER

JUDICIAL BRANCH

INTERPRETS
THE LAW

SUPREME COURT

JUSTICES ARE
APPOINTED BY THE
GOVERNOR AND APPROVED
BY THE LEGISLATURE
TO SERVE SOUTH
DAKOTA'S HIGHEST COURT

STATE TREASURER

RESPONSIBLE
FOR STATE
MONEY

STATE AUDITOR

WRITES CHECKS
FOR THE STATE

COMMISSIONER OF SCHOOL AND PUBLIC LANDS

MANAGES
STATE LANDS
FOR SCHOOLS

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

THE GOVERNOR'S
PARTNER AND
PRESIDENT OF
THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF STATE

THE STATE'S
OFFICIAL
RECORD KEEPER

ATTORNEY GENERAL

THE CHIEF LEGAL
OFFICER OF
THE STATE

CIRCUIT COURTS

TRIAL COURTS
OF SOUTH
DAKOTA

MAGISTRATES

HEAR CASES
THAT ARE
LESS
IMPORTANT